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The Honorable Charles Terreni  
Chief Clerk of the Commission  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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Re: dPi Teleconnect, LLC, Complainant/Petitioner v. BellSouth Telecommunications,  
Incorporated, Defendant/Respondent  
Docket No. 2005-358-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing are an original and one (1) copy of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s d/b/a AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") Motion to Hold Proceeding in Abeyance in the above-referenced matter.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record with a copy of this Motion as indicated on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick W. Turner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patrick W. Turner

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Enclosure  
cc: All Parties of Record  
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**BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

In RE:	)	
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dPi TELECONNECT, LLC,	)	
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Complainant,	)	
	)	Docket No. 2005-358-C
v.	)	
	)	
BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,	)	
INC.	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

**AT&T’S MOTION TO HOLD PROCEEDINGS IN ABEYANCE**

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (“BellSouth”) d/b/a AT&T South Carolina (“AT&T”) respectfully requests the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“the Commission”) to hold these proceedings in abeyance pending the outcome of the pending show-cause proceedings against dPi Teleconnect, LLC (“dPi”). The grounds for this motion are set forth below.

On June 27, 2007, the Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) filed a Petition for a rule to show cause as to why dPi’s certificate of public convenience and necessity should not be revoked. The Petition alleges that “despite the repeated and diligent efforts of ORS, [dPi has] either failed to answer or [has] provided insufficient information in response to ORS’ requests for financial and other information.”<sup>1</sup> The Petition seeks a finding that dPi has not complied with “orders, decisions, directions, rules and

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<sup>1</sup> See Petition at ¶7.

regulations made or prescribed by the Commission,”<sup>2</sup> and it seeks an Order “canceling the Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity held by [dPi].”<sup>3</sup>

In the instant docket, AT&T and dPi are involved in a discovery dispute. dPi has asked the Commission to order AT&T to spend approximately 100 man-hours responding to dPi’s overly-burdensome discovery request. Recently, in a conference call with all of the parties, the Hearing Officer assigned to this docket spent a great deal of time diligently attempting to facilitate an amicable resolution of dPi’s Motion to Compel, and during that call, AT&T agreed to produce certain documents and to consider its willingness to spend approximately 50 man-hours gathering additional documents if doing so would resolve dPi’s Motion. AT&T remains willing to produce those documents and to resume its consideration of gathering additional documents if and when the ORS’s Petition is resolved.

In the meantime, however, AT&T believes it is patently unfair for dPi to fail to answer or provide insufficient information in response to information the ORS is statutorily empowered to request, and simultaneously ask this Commission to require AT&T to spend approximately 100 man-hours producing documents in response to dPi’s overly-burdensome discovery request. Accordingly, AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission hold these proceedings in abeyance pending the resolution of the ORS’s show-cause Petition against dPi.

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.*, Wherefore Clause, ¶5.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*, ¶6.

Respectfully submitted on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2007.

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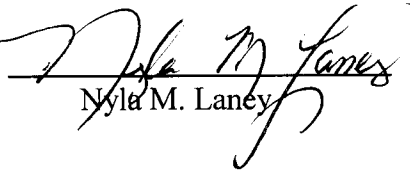
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